IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of :

Kenji SAITO et al. : Mail Stop: ACCOUNTING DIVISION

REFUND BRANCH

Serial No. 10/532,586 :

Filed June 17, 2005 : Attorney Docket No. 2005 0635A

Confirmation No. 4361

SURFACE-TREATING PROCESS FOR VACUUM MEMBER

REQUEST FOR REFUND

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a 50% refund of the PTO Notice of Appeal and Extension of Time fees of \$670.00 paid on April 10, 2009, i.e. \$335.00. Applicants inadvertently paid the large entity fees, but are actually entitled to Small Entity status by virtue of a Small Entity Assertion provided April 25, 2005.

Kindly credit the refund of \$335.00 to the deposit account of undersigned, no. 23-0975. If there are any questions regarding this matter, please contact Donna Reynolds, Accounting Assistant, at (202) 721-8246.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenji SAITO et al.

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